Sources taken together for 1995-96, 1996-97 and 1997-98 stood at Rs. 164.03 crores, Rs. 181.82 crores and Rs. 193.28 crores respectively. The Annual Action Plan for 1995-96, 1996-97 & 1997-98 are annexed at Annexure I, II & III respectively.

[See Appendix 184, Annexure No. 31]

Salient Features of Draft Ninth Five Year Plan Document

1005. SHRI DEBABRATA BISWAS: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission has recently released the Ninth Five Year Plan Document;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that the document has recommend the contradictory ideals of following more vigorously the cause of economic reforms and simultaneously fulfilling the socialistic agenda based on Leftist ideals; and

(d) if so, the reaction of Government to such an attempt to reconcile the economic ideologies of multi-party in compatibility?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) to (c) The draft Ninth Five Year Plan (1997-2002) approved at the internal meetings of the Planning Commission was released on March 01, 1998 by the then Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission. This Plan is yet to be considered by the National Development Council. The draft Ninth Plan Document has been developed in the context of four important dimensions of State Policy, which may not necessarily be attained by the free operation of market forces. These are (a) quality of life of the citizen; (b) generation of productive employment; (c) regional balance; and (d) self-reliance.

The focus of the draft Ninth Plan can be described as "Growth with Social Justice and Equity". The specific objectives of the Ninth Plan arising from the greater reliance on market forces and the imperative for public policy and action discussed above are as follow:

(i) Priority to agriculture and rural development with a view to generating adequate productive employment and eradication of poverty;

(ii) Accelerating the growth rate of the economy with stable prices;

(iii) Ensuring food and nutritional security for all, particularly the vulnerable sections of society;

(iv) Providing the basic minimum services of safe drinking water, primary health care facilities, universal primary education, shelter, and connectivity to all in a time bound manner;

(v) Containing the growth rate of population;

(vi) Ensuring environmental sustainability of the development process through social mobilisation and participation of people at all levels;

(vii) Empowerment of women and socially disadvantaged groups such as Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes and Minorities as agents of socio-economic change and development;

(viii) Promoting and developing people's participatory institutions like Panchayati Raj Institutions, cooperatives and self-help groups;

(ix) Strengthening efforts to build self-reliance.

(d) The Government have decided to review this Draft so as to suitably reflect the altered priorities, as enunciated in the National Agenda for Governance. Detailed action plans are already under

preparation which will, upon finalisation, be intergrated with the existing draft. This revised document will then be submitted, through due process, for consideration and approval of the National Development Council.

संसद सदस्य स्थानीय क्षेत्र विकास योजना के अंतर्गत धनराशियों का जारी किया जाना

1006.**श्री राधव जी**: क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) लोकसभा और राज्य सभा के उन सदस्यों की संख्या कितनी है जिनके निर्वाचन क्षेत्रों के संबंध में संसद सदस्य स्थानीय क्षेत्र विकास योजना के अंतर्गत वर्ष 1997-98 को पूरी धनराशि जारी नहीं की गई है;

(ख) उनके लिए वर्ष 1997-98की भी पूरी धनराशि अभी तक जारी न किए जाने के क्या कारण हैं जबकि 1998-99 का अगला वर्ष पहले ही शुरू हो चुका हैं;और

(ग) ये राशियां उन्हें कब तक उनके लिए जारी कर दी जाएंगी

रेल संसदीय कार्य,योजना और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री(श्री राम नाईक): (क) और (ख) मार्गदर्शी सिद्वांतों के अनुसार,सांसद स्थानीय क्षेत्र विकास योजना के अंतर्गत निधियां कार्यो की वास्तविक एंव वित्तीय प्रगति को ध्यान में रखते हुए तो किश्तों में अवमुक्त की जाती हैं । तद्नुसार वर्ष,1997-98 के लिए निर्णय लिया गया था कि निधियां उन सांसदों को जारी की जाएंगी जिनके खाते में अस्वीकृत बकाया राशि 50 लाख रूपए से कम हो । इस अनुमोदित मानदंड के अनुसार तथा संबंधित जिला कलेक्टरों से प्राप्त सूचना के आधार पर 790 सांसदों में से 675 सांसद (482 लोकसभा+193 राज्यसभा)तथा 292 सांसद(205 लोकसभा+87 राज्यसभा),निधियों की क्रमश: पहली एंव दूसरी किश्त के अवमोचन के लिए पात्र गए थे । शेष सांसदों को निधियां जारी नहीं कि जा सकी क्योंकि या तो उनके पास अस्वीकृत बकाया राशि 50 लाख रूपए से ऊपर थी या संबंधित जिला कलेक्टरों से सूचना प्राप्त नहीं हुई थीं

(ग) वर्ष,1997-98 की शेष राशि पात्र सांसदों को वर्ष,1998-99 के अनुमोदित मानदंडों के अनुसार जारी की जाएगी ।

Cost Overrun of PSUs on Account of Rise in Input Costs

1007. SHRI RAMACHANDRAN PILLA1: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the cost overrun of PSUs on account of rise in input costs mainly oil, coal and freight traffic?

(b) whether the Govt, had visualised this cost over run before formulating the planning?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND PLAN- * NING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) The Central Sector projects are approved at estimated costs corresponding to the price level existing in the year of approval. As on December, 1997, 454 projects costing Rs. 20 crores and above, monitored by the Department of Programme Implementation, had a total cost overrun of Rs. 21,063 crores including cost overrun on account of rise in input costs of oil, coal and freight traffic as also other factors with respect to their latest approved cost of Rs. 1,46,168 crores.

(b) The increase in cost during the period of construction due to cost escalation including rise in input costs on account of oil, coal, freight traffic and other factors depending upon the nature of a project is visualised by the project authorities and they are included in the revised cost estimates of projects.

सांसद निधि का जारी किया जाना

1008.**श्री मनोहर कान्त ध्यानी**: क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सांसद निधि का आबंटन कैलेण्डर वर्ष के आधार पर होता है अथवा वित्तीय वर्ष के आधार पर होता है;

(ख) कैलेण्डर वर्ष 1997 अथवा वित्तीय वर्ष 1997-98 की एक सौ लाख रूपए की नियत राशि में से अब तक कितनी धनराशि जारी की गई हैं;